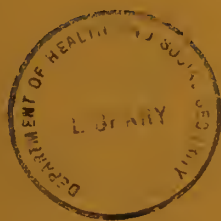




THE HEALTH
OF
GRIMSBY RURAL DISTRICT
1968



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Public Health Department,

Council Offices,

Immingham, Lincs.

Tel: Immingham 2201

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GRIMSBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
THE GRIMSBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the state of the public health in the Grimsby Rural District for the year 1968. The statistics once more indicate a healthy community comparing very favourably with the figures for England and Wales.

I should like to express my appreciation of the help and consideration given me by the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee.

I am grateful to the County Medical Officer and his staff for information relating to the Lindsey County Council's services in the District.

I would like to thank Mr. Kent and the Health Department Staff for their willing help and co-operation throughout the year.

In conclusion I would like to thank all the Members and Staff of the Grimsby Rural District Council for their help and support during my term of office as your Medical Officer of Health.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

J.M.B. CARR

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

The boundaries of the Grimsby Rural District were altered this year as Great Coates and parts of New Waltham and Weelsby were transferred to the County Borough of Grimsby with effect from the 1st April, 1968. This had the effect of reducing the area of the Rural District by 1,583 acres from 39,251 acres to 37, 668 acres.

Registrar General's estimated mid-year population	26,770
Estimated increase in the population	1,470
Density of population per square mile	448
Number of inhabited houses at the end of 1968	8,661
Rateable Value at 31st March	£2,080,398
Product of a penny rate	£9,060

VITAL STATISTICS.

<u>Deaths:-</u>	<u>1968.</u>	<u>1967.</u>
Total number of deaths	240	194
Death rate per 1,000 population ...	9.0	7.7
* Standardised death rate (ACF 1.05) ...	9.5	8.4

Live Births:-

Number of legitimate live births ...	594	586
Number of illegitimate live births ...	45	43
TOTAL NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS	639	629
Birth rate per 1,000 population ...	23.9	24.9
* Standardised birth rate (ACF 0.95) ...	22.7	22.1
Illegitimate live births % of total live births	7.0	6.8

Stillbirths:-

Number of stillbirths	11	7
Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths ...	17.0	11.0
Total live and stillbirths	650	636

Infant Deaths:-

Number of deaths under one year ...	10	8
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Infant Mortality Rates:-

Total infant deaths per 1,000 live births	15.7	12.7
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	16.8	11.9
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate births	22.2	23.3

	<u>1968.</u>	<u>1967.</u>
<u>Neo-Natal Mortality Rate:-</u>		
Deaths of infants under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	12.5	4.8
Total infant deaths under 4 weeks ...	8	3
<u>Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate:-</u>		
Deaths of infants under 1 week per 1,000 live births	10.9	3.2
Total infant deaths under 1 week ...	7	2
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate:-</u>		
Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live and stillbirths ...	27.7	14.1
<u>Maternal Mortality Rate (Including abortion):-</u>		
Number of deaths	Nil	Nil
Death rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	Nil	Nil

* These standardised rates are corrected to take account of the differing proportions of old and young people in the area, and make the resulting rate comparable with the crude rate for England and Wales or the adjusted rate for other districts.

STATISTICS FOR GRIMSBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL SINCE 1959

	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Estimated Mid Year Population	15,440	16,270	17,650	18,500	19,910	21,460	22,800	24,080	25,300	26,770
Density (persons per square mile)	251	265	287	302	325	350	372	393	413	448
Habitable Houses	5,260	5,329	6,046	6,460	6,871	7,013	7,529	7,983	8,451	8,661
Births (a) Number	310	318	363	413	499	540	570	610	629	639
(b) Rate per 1,000 population.	20.5	19.5	19.9	21.7	23.1	22.7	22.3	22.5	22.1	22.7
Illegitimate births % of total live births	3.2	3.5	3.85	2.5	3.2	4.1	3.0	5.2	6.8	7.0
Stillbirth Rate	19.0	27.5	24.8	20.6	8.0	16.4	13.8	14.5	11.0	17.0
Deaths (a) Number	137	151	182	171	168	184	205	195	194	240
(b) Rate per 1,000 population.	9.7	10.6	12.2	10.9	9.7	8.8	9.7	8.8	8.4	9.5
Infant Mortality Rate (Deaths under one year of age)	6.5	15.7	33.1	9.7	10.0	16.7	8.8	14.8	12.7	15.7
Neonatal Mortality Rate (Deaths under four weeks of age)	6.5	15.7	16.5	9.7	6.8	11.1	7.0	13.1	4.8	12.5
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate (Deaths under one week of age)	6.5	9.4	8.3	9.7	6.8	9.3	7.0	8.2	3.2	10.9
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under one week of age)	25.3	36.7	32.9	35.4	19.8	25.5	20.8	22.6	14.1	27.7

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS FOR 1968.

	Grimsby R.D.C.	Lindsey C.C.	England & Wales (Prov. data).
Birth Rate	22.7	17.9	16.9
Stillbirth Rate	17.0	16.0	14.0
Death Rate	9.5	11.4	11.9
Infant Mortality Rate	15.7	19.0	18.0
Neonatal Mortality Rate	12.5	13.6	12.3
Early Neonatal Mortality Rate	10.9	12.1	10.5
Perinatal Mortality Rate	27.7	28.0	25.0

POPULATION.

The Registrar General's estimated mid year population is a weighted average of the mid year population of the area as constituted before and after the changes in the boundaries of the District. This figure has been calculated to allow calculation of valid Birth and Death Rates. This estimated figure shows an estimated increase of 1,470 compared with the 1967 figure.

The natural increase in the population, i.e. the excess of births over deaths, in 1968 was 399 which was 36 less than the figure of 435 for 1967.

BIRTHS.

There were 639 live births in the Rural District in 1968. This gives a crude birth rate of 23.9 per 1,000 population and a corrected birth rate of 22.7. (The Registrar General's comparability factor being 0.95). This figure is well above the birth rate for England and Wales which for 1968 was 16.9 per 1,000 population.

There were 45 illegitimate births in 1968 compared with 43 in 1967. The percentage of all live births was 7.0 (6.8 in 1967) compared with the figure for England and Wales which was 8.4% of the total live births. Nationally there has been an increase in the percentage of illegitimate births each year since 1956, locally the increase has only shown in the last three years.

Causes of Death	Males	Females	TOTAL
Enteritis and Other Diarrhoeal Diseases ...	—	1	1
Syphilis and its Sequelae	1	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	3	3	6
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	8	1	9
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	—	5	5
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	—	1	1
Leukaemia	1	2	3
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	5	9	14
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	1	—	1
Diabetes Mellitus	1	1	2
Avitaminoses, etc.	—	1	1
Meningitis	—	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	—	1	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	—	1	1
Hypertensive Disease	1	4	5
Ischaemic Heart Disease	36	24	60
Other Forms of Heart Disease	3	3	6
Cerebrovascular Disease	9	22	31
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	12	—	17
Influenza	2	2	4
Pneumonia	3	6	9
Bronchitis and Emphysema	12	3	15
Asthma	—	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	—	1	1
Peptic Ulcer	—	1	1
Appendicitis	1	—	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	1	1	2
Other Diseases of Digestive System	—	3	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	2
Hyperplasia of Prostrate	1	—	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	2	1	3
Congenital Anomalies	1	1	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	2	—	2
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	2	3
Symptoms and Ill-Defined Conditions	2	1	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	4	10
All Other Accidents	2	2	4
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	3	2	5
All Other External Causes	1	1	2
TOTALS	122	118	240

DEATHS.

The total number of deaths from all causes has risen from 194 in 1967 to 240 in 1968 to give a corrected death rate of 9.5 per 1,000 population. This is higher than last years figure but is well below the national figure of 11.9.

Diseases of the heart and circulatory system continue to be the main cause of death accounting for 120 deaths or 50% of the total deaths. Coronary disease is much the most important single cause of death.

Cancer in all its forms accounted for 39 deaths or 16% of the total deaths with cancer of the lung being the most important individual cancer.

Deaths due to cancer and diseases of the heart and circulatory system account, therefore, for 66% of the deaths in the district. It must be emphasised that these conditions are ones in which the individual can take preventive action. If the inhabitants of the Rural District were to reduce their weight to the ideal level, take more exercise and stop smoking they would feel much fitter and within a few years the mortality figures for the District would show an improvement.

Deaths in Age Groups - 1968.

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 4 weeks	4	4	8
4 weeks and under 1 year	1	1	2
1 - 4 years	1	-	1
5 - 14 years	1	-	1
15 - 24 years	3	1	4
25 - 34 years	3	1	4
35 - 44 years	5	5	10
45 - 54 years	8	10	18
55 - 64 years	20	9	29
65 - 74 years	36	20	56
75 and over	40	67	107
Total number of deaths -----			240

The longevity of the population is shown by the fact that 45% of the deaths in the district were amongst people aged 75 and over and 68% in those aged over 65.

Stillbirths and Infant Mortality.

There were 11 stillbirths in 1968 (4 more than in 1967) and 10 infant deaths under 1 year (8 in 1967).

The Infant Mortality Rate at 15.7 per thousand live births is higher than last year (12.7 per thousand live births) but is well below the national figure of 18.0 per thousand live births.

The Stillbirth Rate, Neonatal Mortality Rate, Early Neonatal Mortality Rate and Perinatal Mortality Rate are higher than last year and are a little above the national average. This is disappointing in view of the very good figures for last year.

Maternal Mortality.

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

Diseases notified during 1968.

Chicken Pox	...	...	...	...	196
Measles	...	...	...	...	188
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	11
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	10
Dysentery	...	...	...	...	5
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	4
Non Pulmonary Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	2
Infective Jaundice	3
Erysipelas	2
Pneumonia	1
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	1
Meningitis	1

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Distribution of Notifiable Diseases in Age Groups.

	Age not known	under 1 yr.	1 - 4 yrs.	5-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	over 65 yrs.	TOTAL
Chicken Pox	2	5	57	127	2	3	-	-	196
Dysentery	1	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	5
Measles	2	8	110	65	2	1	-	-	188
Scarlet Fever	1	-	3	7	-	-	-	-	11
Whooping Cough	-	-	7	2	-	-	1	-	10
Meningitis	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis	-	-	1	-	1	2	1	1	6
Infective Jaundice	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	3
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1

PARISH.	Chicken Pox.	Tuberculosis.	Infective Jaundice.	Erysipelas.	Food Poisoning.	Pneumonia.	Dysentery.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping Cough.	Meningitis.	Typhoid.	TOTALS.
Ashby-cum-Fenby	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aylesby	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Barnoldby-le-Beck	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Beelsby	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Bradley	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	9
Brigsley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Great Coates	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	8
Habrough	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	4
Hatcliffe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Healing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	13
Humberston	7	1	-	-	-	-	2	30	-	1	-	-	41
Immingham	90	2	2	2	-	-	-	29	6	3	1	1	136
Irby	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Laceby	29	-	1	-	-	-	1	30	2	-	-	-	63
New Waltham	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	53	-	-	-	-	57
Ravendale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stallingborough	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	12	1	3	-	-	19
Waltham	52	-	-	-	-	1	1	12	1	1	-	-	68
Totals	196	6	3	2	-	1	5	188	11	10	1	1	424

Various changes occurred, during 1968, in the legislation with regard to infectious diseases. The Public Health (Infective Jaundice) Regulations 1968 made infectious jaundice notifiable with effect from the 15th June, 1968. The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1968 altered the list of notifiable diseases in that acute primary pneumonia, acute influenzal pneumonia, acute rheumatism, erysipelas, membranous croup and puerperal pyrexia are no longer included in the list while tetanus, yellow fever and leptospirosis are added to the list. These changes took effect from 1st October, 1968.

The Register of Tuberculosis for the year is as follows:-

	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		TOTAL
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1967.	54	44	12	11	121
Added to the Register:					
(a) Cases notified for the first time during year	4	-	-	2	6
(b) Cases brought to notice other than by formal notification (Transfers in etc.).	6	2	-	-	8
Removed from the Register on account of death, change of address etc.	5*	4*	-	1*	10*
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1968.	59	42	12	12	125

* Removed from Register on account of change in R.D.C. Boundary 1.4.68.

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Venereal Disease.

I am indebted to Dr. D.O. Stevenson for the following statistics which relate to patients from the Grimsby Rural District who attended the Special Treatment Centre, 38 Queen Street, Grimsby.

	Males	Females	TOTAL
Early Syphilis	-	-	-
Latent Syphilis	-	-	-
Congenital Syphilis	-	-	-
Gonorrhoea	8	-	8
Non Venereal Conditions	23	8	31
1968 Total	31	8	39
1969 Total	23	6	29 39

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED SINCE 1959.

	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Measles	208	5	665	34	278	260	546	392	330	188
Whooping Cough	28	9	8	2	25	16	8	4	59	10
Scarlet Fever	38	8	2	8	7	2	21	40	27	11
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia ^Ø	1	3	3	-	-	2	1	1	-	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	4	8	9	9	5	3	7	5	5	4
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3	2	3	2	-	2	5	-	2	2
Puerperal Pyrexia ^Ø	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas ^Ø	3	-	-	3	-	-	2	2	-	2
Poliomyelitis - Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis - Non-Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	41	5	3	16	2	6	20	5	3	5
Food Poisoning	6	1	6	4	-	2	5	-	-	-
Meningitis	-	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	-	1
Chicken Pox	162	121	123	227	25	58	248	41	143	196
Infective Jaundice [*]										3
TOTAL	495	162	825	309	343	352	863	490	569	424

* Notifiable w.e.f. 15th June, 1968. Ø Ceased to be notifiable w.e.f. 1st October, 1968.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.(A) LABORATORY FACILITIES.

These are available for the examination of nose and throat swabs, sputum etc., at the Public Health Laboratory, Lincoln, and the Pathological Department at the Grimsby General Hospital. I am grateful to Dr. Croll and to Dr. Lawy for their help and advice.

(B) AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

These are provided by the Lindsey County Council.
Telephone Number - Cleethorpes 62912.

(C) HOSPITALS.

(a) General Hospitals - Facilities for treatment are available at the Scartho Road Hospital and the the Grimsby General Hospital.

(b) Maternity Hospitals - Patients from this district are admitted to Nunsthorpe Maternity Hospital, Grimsby or the Croft Baker Maternity Hospital, Cleethorpes.

(c) Springfield Infectious Diseases Hospital - This hospital provides facilities for the investigation and treatment of infectious diseases including Tuberculosis. There are also facilities for the care of 66 chronic sick patients.

(d) Immingham Hospital - This small hospital provides 41 beds for the treatment of elderly chronic sick patients.

(D) CLINICS - Lindsey County Council.

(a) Cleethorpes Clinic, St. Hugh's Avenue, Cleethorpes (Tel: Cleethorpes 61201)

<u>Clinic</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Hours</u>
School	Monday	10.00 a.m. (by appointment)
Eye	Friday	9.30 a.m. (by appointment)
Infant Welfare	Monday & Thursday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers' Clinic	Tuesday	2.00 p.m. (by appointment)
Relaxation Classes	Tuesday	10.15 a.m. (by appointment)
Poliomyelitis		
Vaccination	3rd Wednesday	2.00 p.m. (by appointment)
Immunisations	1st Wednesday	2.00 p.m. (by appointment)
Dental	Daily	By appointment
Speech Therapy	Monday and Thursday	9.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. (by appointment)
Chiropody	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	By appointment
Cytology		
(Cervical Smear)	Wednesday	2.00 p.m. (by appointment)

- (b) Immingham - The Clinic, Community Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham.
(Tel: Immingham 2040)

Infant Welfare	Every Monday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers	1st & 3rd Thursday	10.00 a.m.
Relaxation	Every Tuesday	2.00 p.m.

- (c) Laceby - The Clinic, 58 Caistor Road, Laceby. (Tel: Laceby 485).

Infant Welfare	Every Wednesday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers	1st & 3rd Tuesday	9.30 a.m.
Relaxation	Every Thursday	2.00 p.m.

- (d) New Waltham - The Clinic, Anningson Lane, New Waltham.
(Tel: Humberston 2578).

Infant Welfare	Every Wednesday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers	1st & 3rd Tuesday	9.30 a.m.
Relaxation	Every Thursday	2.00 p.m.

- (e) Waltham - Ross Hall, Waltham.

Infant Welfare	Every Friday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers	2nd & 4th Friday	9.30 a.m.

- (f) Humberston - The Clinic, St. Thomas's Close, Humberston.
(Tel: Humberston 2238).

Infant Welfare	Every Tuesday	2.00 p.m.
Toddlers	2nd & 4th Tuesday	9.30 a.m.

- (g) Healing - The Clinic, Station Road, Healing. (Tel: Healing 3288).

Infant Welfare	Every Thursday	2.00 p.m.
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(E) OTHER CLINICS.

- (a) Child Guidance Clinic, Heneage Road, Grimsby. (by appointment)
- (b) Chest and Tuberculosis Clinic, Abbey Road, Grimsby.
(Tel: Grimsby 2030) (by appointment)
- (c) Venereal Disease Special Treatment Centre,
Queen Street, Grimsby. (Tel: Grimsby 4754) (by appointment)
- (d) Family Planning Clinic, Health Centre, Milton Road,
Nunsthorpe, Grimsby. Every Tuesday and Thursday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

(F) MIDWIFERY AND HOME NURSING SERVICES.

Two nursing teams, the Immingham and Cleethorpes teams, cover the area of the Rural District. Their constitution and method of contacting are as follows:-

- (a) Immingham Nursing Team.

Area - Immingham and surrounding villages.

Composition of Team.

Miss H.A. Tebboth, S.R.N., S.C.M., 3 Brigsley House, Immingham.
Tel: Immingham 2158.

Midwives.

Mrs. M. Johnson, S.R.N., 10 Weston Grove, Immingham. Tel: Immingham 2952
Miss M.D. Mansfield, 49 Bradley Road, Barnoldby-le-Beck, Grimsby.
Tel: Waltham 2515.

General Nurses.

Mrs. C.J. Foulger, S.R.N., 3 Maple Close, Healing.
Mrs. J.N. Beacock, S.R.N., Highfield Farm, Immingham.
Mrs. R.M. Lamming, S.R.N., 17 Stainton Drive, Immingham.

Messages for general nursing care or health visitors can be left on the Robophone at Immingham Clinic. Telephone Immingham 2669.

Also in the team are 1 S.E.N. and 3 bathing attendants.

Associated Health Visitors.

Miss J.P. Cosnett, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, Community Centre,
Pelham Road, Immingham. Tel: Immingham 2040.
Miss E.M. Webster, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, Community Centre,
Pelham Road, Immingham. Tel: Immingham 2040.
Mrs. J. Smith, S.R.N., H.V. Cert, The Clinic, Community Centre, Pelham Road,
Immingham. Tel: Immingham 2040.
Miss H.M. Naylor, S.R.N., H.V. Cert., High Street, Caistor. Tel: Caistor 276.

(b) Cleethorpes Nursing Team.

Area Cleethorpes and surrounding rural area.

Composition of Team.

Team Leader.

Mrs. F.M. Cash, S.R.N., 161 Clee Road, Cleethorpes.

General Nurses.

Mrs. E.A. Nicholls, S.R.N., S.C.M., 26 Windermere Crescent, Humberston.
Mrs. J. Hoyle, S.R.N., 75 Bradford Avenue, Cleethorpes.
Mrs. C. Gibson, S.R.N., 54 Suggitts Lane, Cleethorpes.
Mrs. O. Brown, S.R.N., 17 Westhill Road, Grimsby.

All messages for general nursing care can be left on the automatic telephone answering machine at The Clinic, St. Hugh's Avenue, Cleethorpes.

Telephone: Cleethorpes 61555.

Any of the following midwives may be contacted:-

Miss H.M. Fawcett, S.R.N., S.C.M., 85 Granville Street, Grimsby.

Tel: Grimsby 56008

Miss M. Hargadon, S.C.M., 127 Wintringham Road, Grimsby. Tel: Grimsby 57512.

Mrs. O. Boyce, S.R.N., S.C.M., 10 Cambridge Street, Cleethorpes.

Tel: Cleethorpes 63438.

Miss R. Smith, S.R.N., S.C.M., 15 Doughty Close, Waltham. Tel: Waltham 2344.

Also in the team are 3 S.E.N.'s and 5 bathing attendants.

Associated Health Visitors.

Miss R.E. Braybrooks, S.R.N., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, St. Hugh's Avenue,
Cleethorpes. Tel: Cleethorpes 61201.

Mrs. H.L. Bryan, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, St. Hugh's Avenue,
Cleethorpes. Tel: Cleethorpes 61201.

Mrs. A. Grieve, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., Beechcourt, North End, Tetney.
Tel: Humberston 3275.

Mrs. J.S. Laga, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, Anningson Lane,
New Waltham. Tel: Humberston 2578.

Miss A.H. Lancaster, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert., The Clinic, St. Thomas's
Close, Humberston. Tel: Humberston 2238.

(G) CHIROPODY SERVICE.

Lindsey County Council provide this service in this area of the County the work being carried out by chiropodists employed by the County Council. The scheme now caters for the elderly, expectant mothers, the physically handicapped and mentally subnormal persons.

Treatment is provided at numerous centres in the Rural District but in the case of a person unable to attend a treatment centre, the chiropodist will visit the patient's own home to provide treatment. The County Council make a fixed charge of 2/6 per treatment with the exception of persons in receipt of Social Security supplementary benefit, in which case treatment is provided free of charge.

(H) CERVICAL CYTOLOGY.

The cervical smear test for cancer of the cervix continues to be widely available through:-

- (a) The patient's General Practitioner.
- (b) Lindsey County Council at Cleethorpes Clinic
- (c) The Hospital Out Patients Department
- (d) The Family Planning Clinic.

It is regrettable that the female members of the community do not make better use of the facilities provided and come forward for the test.

(I) FAMILY PLANNING.

The National Health Service (Family Planning) Act, 1967 provided local health authorities with the power to make arrangements for the giving of advice on contraception and for the supply of contraceptive substances and appliances to the public generally and no longer only to those seeking advice on medical grounds. No distinction is to be drawn between married and unmarried persons. No charge is to be made for advice or examination but charges can be made for materials.

Lindsey County Council operate a scheme and have arranged for the Family Planning Association to provide the service as the County Council's agents.

The County Council have decided to charge for the supply of prescriptions, drugs and appliances, though the amount to be recovered will take account of each person's financial circumstances.

The County Council have also decided that parental consent shall not be necessary for any category of patient over 16 years of age.

The service locally will be available through the Family Planning Clinic, Milton Road, Nunsthorpe, Grimsby.

LINDSEY COUNTY COUNCIL.Welfare Services 1968.

I would like to thank the County Welfare Officer and the Area Welfare Officer for providing the following report.

For the purposes of Welfare Administration, Lindsey County is divided into six areas. Each Area Officer is under the direction of an Area Welfare Officer who supervises a welfare team comprising of Social Welfare Officer, Home Help Officer, Welfare Assistants and appropriate Clerical Workers. Also working closely with each team are the following Officers:- Mental Health, Child Care, Occupational Therapist, and Handicraft Instructors.

The Cleethorpes area covers approximately 20 square miles and includes Cleethorpes and 49 Parishes. The staff is as follows:-

Area Welfare Officer	-	Mr. F. Leo
Social Welfare Officers	-	Mr. E.G. Hutchinson Mrs. D.M. Telford.
Home Help Officer	-	Mrs. E.P. Marshalsea
Assistant Home Help Officer	-	Mrs. M. Trevor-Jones
Welfare Assistant	-	Mrs. S. Parker
Handicraft Instructors	-	Mrs. H. Kingsland - Full-time Mrs. R.P. Cole - Part-time
Child Care Officers	-	Area Child Care Officer and 3 Staff operating from 14 Ugate, Louth.
Mental Health Officer	-	Mr. W.T. Robson Mr. J.K. Sweeney.
Registrar, Births, Marriages, Deaths	-	Mr. C.E. Burgess

With effect from February, 1969, the 2 Mental Health Officers and Childrens Staff will operate from new offices situated next to the Clinic in St. Hugh's Avenue, Cleethorpes - all enquiries for these Services should be directed to these premises.

Blind and Partially Sighted.

The number of registered Blind persons in the Grimsby Rural District in 1968 was 31 and there were 15 registered Partially Sighted persons.

A wide range of services are provided in co-operation with the Lindsey Blind Society and the Royal National Institute for the Blind, including a Social Centre, the teaching of Braille and Handicrafts, etc.

Physically Handicapped.

General classes other than Blind and Partially Sighted. Numbers registered in 1968 in the Grimsby Rural District were 98.

Services provided in co-operation with the Lindsey Society for the Handicapped include a Social Club and Handicraft classes.

Other Services.

Home tuition in handicrafts and a wide range of aids and adaptations are available to enable the disabled to lead as full and independent lives as possible.

A special bus with hydraulic lift is provided to transport the severely disabled to craft classes, socials and on outings.

Aged.

Residential homes are provided for those who, through age or infirmity, are in need of care and attention - not otherwise available to them.

Support has been given to relatives having the care of elderly parents by providing temporary accommodation for holiday periods. This has not been confined to the summer periods only, but has continued throughout the full year.

<u>Admissions.</u>	<u>Permanent.</u>		<u>Temporary.</u>	
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	5	4	2	5

The temporary admissions effected were in order to give relatives of aged persons the opportunity to have a much needed holiday themselves.

Home Help Service.

During 1968 in the combined areas of Cleethorpes and Grimsby Rural District, a total of 609 cases were attended. These were divided into the following categories:-

<u>Aged</u>	<u>Chronic Sick and T.B.</u>	<u>Mentally Disordered.</u>	<u>Maternity</u>	<u>Others.</u>
544	36	Nil	12	17

Home Help Service (concluded)

Persons receiving domestic help under the County Council's Scheme are required to pay such charge, as having regard to the means of those persons, the County Council consider possible.

Applications for help in the Cleethorpes area should be made to the Home Help Officer, 31 Market Street, Cleethorpes.

The Home Help Officer can be interviewed at the above address at the following times:-

Monday and Friday	9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	9 a.m. to 12 noon.

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MEALS ON WHEELS.

I am grateful to Mrs. B. Readymartcher, County Organiser of the Women's Royal Voluntary Service, for providing the following information relating to meals provided by the W.R.V.S. during 1968:-

	<u>No. of Meals Served.</u>	<u>No. of Days per week.</u>
Immingham	3,473	2
Waltham and District	1,562	2
Humberston and District	2,963	3
Laceby and District	1,607	2

CARE OF THE AGED.

The problem of caring adequately for old people is one that gets more difficult each year. Every effort is made to support the aged and infirm in the community, but often despite the combined efforts of the General Practitioners, Welfare Officers, Home Helps, District Nurses and W.R.V.S., institutional care is still necessary. The shortage of hospital beds for the aged and chronic sick continues and many people in need of hospital care have to wait for weeks before being admitted.

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VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION.

It is regrettable that due to the recommendations of the organisation and methods team the County Medical Officer is no longer able to provide details of the immunological procedures carried out in the Grimsby Rural District during 1968.

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SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE.

It is regrettable that due to the recommendations of the organisation and methods team the County Medical Officer is no longer able to provide details of the examinations carried out in the Grimsby Rural District during 1968.

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GRIMSBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR & PETROLEUM OFFICER.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It gives me pleasure to present to you my report on the sanitary conditions of the District in 1968.

The information in the report is felt to be self explanatory but it should be borne in mind that the constant increase in the number of persons coming to live and work in the district creates new problems and is a continual challenge in all aspects of the work of the Department. It will be seen that this year for the first time a special note has been taken of nuisances through noise and smoke where previously these were classified as miscellaneous nuisances.

The work in the Immingham Dock is changing too and is beginning to take a much larger amount of the inspectors' time. If and when the dock work becomes disproportionate in time spent thereon it may be necessary to revise the "district" work of each inspector or alternatively to put one inspector permanently on port health duty.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their ready co-operation, help and interest in the Department's work. I would also like to thank the Medical Officer of Health and members of the Staff of the Public Health Department for their assistance and service throughout the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A.F.C. KENT,

Chief Public Health Inspector
and Petroleum Officer.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA:-Water Supply.

No complaints have been received during the year regarding the water supply of the area either by reason of lack of potability or inadequate quantity.

Piped water is provided throughout the area by the North East Lincolnshire Water Board. Routine samples of water are taken by that body from supplies. Where water is treated by chlorination or ammoniation, samples are taken at the rate of four per week; this is in respect of the Parishes of Humberston, Waltham, Brigsley and Ashby-cum-Fenby. Raw water is sampled at the rate of one sample per week.

Chemical samples are taken twice per year from each of the pumping stations in the area. The complexity of these analyses is illustrated by the following report which is typical and varies little from all others taken.

North East Lincolnshire Water Board.

Sample taken at Habrough on 1st July, 1968.

Chemical Analysis.

pH	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7.23
Colour (° Hazen)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Turbidity (Silica Scale)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Dissolved Solids 180°C	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	395
Conductivity (Reciprocal Megohms)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	595
Alkalinity	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	226
Total Hardness	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	310
Non Carbonate Hardness	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84
Calcium Hardness	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	285
Magnesium Hardness	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Free Carbon Dioxide	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Chlorides as Cl	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Nitrate Nitrogen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6.5
Nitrite Nitrogen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Free Ammoniacal Nitrogen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Albuminoid Nitrogen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Silica as S_1O_2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Oxygen absorbed from Permanganate 4 hours at 27°C	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.04
Phosphate as PO_4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.02
Sulphate as SO_4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	87
Iron in solution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Manganese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Sodium as Na	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Potassium as K	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Fluoride as F	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.10
No. of coliforms/100 m.l.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

Excepting pH all results expressed as p.p.m. $CaCO_3$ unless otherwise stated.

Biological Examination.

Thirty-nine samples were taken from domestic supplies. Seven samples proved unsatisfactory. Resampling was carried out after the troubles had been isolated with satisfactory results.

Water - General.

Routine samples were again taken from the two swimming baths in the area. Fifty-six samples were obtained and all but two proved satisfactory. Thirteen samples were taken from the one paddling pool in the district of which five were satisfactory. Advice was given in these cases and subsequent samples proved satisfactory.

PARISH	Supply direct to house		Supplied by Standpipe Population.
	No. of Houses	Population	
Ashby-cum-Fenby	76	123	20
Aylesby	44	70	-
Barnoldby-le-Beck	76	266	3
Beelsby	40	110	-
Bradley	65	150	-
Brigsley	86	310	-
Habrough	185	442	-
Hatcliffe and Ravendale	60	212	-
Healing	616	1,934	-
Humberston	1,638	4,995	-
Immingham	2,556	7,668	-
Irby-upon-Humber	45	56	16
Laceby	772	2,520	-
New Waltham	1,098	2,196	18
Stallingborough	232	613	12
Waltham	1,471	4,413	38
Weelsby	17	65	10
Wold Newton and Hawerby	48	120	20

The following Statutory tables set out inspections of factories during the year:-

Premises	No. on Register	No. of		Prosecutions.
		Inspections	Notices	
Factories in which S 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 are enforced by Local Authority	31	103	-	-
Factories not included above in which S. 7 is enforced by Local Authority	96	245	8	-
Other Premises in which S. 7 is enforced by Local Authority (Excluding outworkers)	2	10	-	-
TOTALS	129	358	8	-

Note: Sections 1 - 6 of the Act govern the standards of cleanliness overcrowding, temperature, ventilation and floor drainage in factories, whilst Section 7 concerns the provision and maintenance of adequate sanitary accommodation.

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND:-

	Number of cases in which defects were found.			No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Insp. from H.M. Insp.	
Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6	3	3	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)(b) Unsuitable/defective	5	5	-	1
Other offences	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	8	8	-	1

FACTORIES ACT, PART VII - Outworkers.

There were no factories in the district employing outworkers, and six outworkers were notified by other Local Authorities during the year.

SCAVENGING SERVICES.

Refuse Collection.

Once again during the year there were few difficulties in maintaining a seven day collection interval using the paper sack means of refuse collection. Of course each year brings its crop of untoward events such as breakdowns and collectors being absent due to sickness.

The flexibility of the system is such, however, that these difficulties do not incapacitate the service as much as was the case before the use of paper sacks.

Animal damage of sacks does occur from time to time but this is not a real problem since we are able to provide guards for sacks in areas where this damage is prevalent. Where the damage is known to be by cats a plastic sack placed over the paper sack appears to be all that is necessary to inhibit these animals from damaging the sacks.

During 1968 some 235 sackholders were sold to persons buying new homes in the area. This means that some 473 new householders in the area this year are making satisfactory use of the sacks (e.g. as bin liners) without the need for a sackholder. It must be stressed, however, that a sack is never so efficient as when supported in the holder designed for the purpose.

A new large capacity refuse vehicle was brought into operation during the year. This permitted the use of the replaced vehicle as a "spare" to be brought into use when one of the refuse vehicles has a breakdown. When one realizes that one vehicle breakdown reduces the fleet availability by 1/6th it will be understood what a valuable facility the possession of a spare refuse vehicle is.

Refuse Disposal.

Two tips were in use during the year. One at Wilton Road, Humberston taking the refuse from the southern end of the district and the other at Mill Lane, Immingham taking the refuse from Immingham and the north of the district.

Industrial and Trade refuse is allowed to be tipped only at the Wilton Road Tip at a cost of 30/- per load (pre paid). By the end of the year some 803 tipping tickets at 30/- each had been sold. It would thus appear that the decision to put the tipping fees up from 10/- to 30/- commencing this year was correct since it has had the effect of slightly increasing our income from this source whilst cutting down the amount of industrial refuse tipped by one third. This is a very satisfactory result when one considers that the amount of tipping space left to us is very limited.

Two amenity tips under the provisions of the Civic Amenities Act, 1967 were created during the year, one each adjacent to the two tips in use. Whilst the amenity tip at Wilton Road, Humberston has been correctly used by persons bringing refuse thereto the amenity tip at Mill Lane, Immingham has been grossly abused. A number of times persons have tipped their refuse so that it blocks the entrance and some have even tipped their refuse outside the confines of the tip area.

It is regrettable that a few thoughtless people can ruin what is a handy facility for the people living in and round the Immingham area.

Cesspool Emptying.

The number of cesspools emptied during the year was 1,096. The number of cesspools emptied since 1959 are:-

1959	-	3,248	Cesspools emptied
1960	-	2,882	Cesspools emptied
1961	-	1,638	Cesspools emptied
1962	-	1,270	Cesspools emptied
1963	-	1,158	Cesspools emptied
1964	-	1,085	Cesspools emptied
1965	-	1,180	Cesspools emptied
1966	-	788	Cesspools emptied
1967	-	1,012	Cesspools emptied
1968	-	1,096	Cesspools emptied

Nightsoil Collection.

This service continued to operate weekly during the early hours and caters for houses where there are no drainage disposal arrangements.

HOUSING.

A total of 708 new dwellings were erected during the year, 341 by the Council and 367 by private owners.

Slum Clearance.

The three houses which formed the Stallingborough No. 5 Clearance Area, compulsorily purchased by this Council were demolished during the year.

Individually Unfit Houses.

Demolition Orders were made on four individually unfit houses during the year and four houses were demolished as a result of Demolition Orders made by the Council.

Housing Repairs.

During the year eleven notices were served under the Housing Act, 1957 upon owners of houses in respect of repairs. Thirty houses were made fit by the owners as a result of statutory action and twenty-six houses had defects remedied following the services of informal notices.

Improvement Grants.

There were applications made for grant aid in respect of thirty-three houses during the year, twenty-three in respect of Standard Grants and ten for Discretionary Grants. One was refused grant aid.

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION.

Sampling of Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide continued at the No. 2 site situated in the Council Offices. The results were sent to the Warren Spring Laboratory of the Ministry of Technology for data processing to be included in the national figures on air pollution.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT ACT, 1963.

A further establishment was registered during the year bringing our total up to two. Both of these premises were inspected and found to be satisfactory.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

The work of revisiting these types of premises continued through the year in addition to which a further five premises were added to the register and inspected.

TABLE A.

	No. of premises registered during the year.	Total Number of registered premises at end of year.	No. of registered premises receiving general inspection during the year
Offices	1	32	32
Retail Shops	1	96	141
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	1	7	6
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	2	14	20
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
TOTALS	5	149	199

TABLE B

Number of visits of all kinds by inspectors to Registered Premises.

585

TABLE C

Analysis of Persons employed in Registered Premises
By Workplace.

	Number of Persons Employed.
Offices	84
Retail Shops	375
Wholesale departments, Wahrehouses	27
Catering Establishments open to the public	177
Canteens	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-
TOTALS	663) 257 males 406 Females

RODENT CONTROL.

The following table summarises the work done by the Rodent Operative and the Public Health Inspectors during 1968:-

	L.A.	Dwelling Houses	Business Premises	Agric., Premises	TOTAL.
Number of properties inspected on notification	9	784	34	20	847
Number infested by rats	7	672	18	15	712
Number infested by mice	-	117	13	5	135
Number of properties inspected other than by notification	45	72	4	21	142
Number infested by rats	39	21	3	8	71
Number infested by mice	2	5	-	2	9

INSECT PESTS.

The Rodent Operative was again kept busy during the summer treating a total of 63 wasps' and 7 bees' nests.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Sampling under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 continued during the year. By the end of the year the following samples had been taken.

<u>Commodity</u>		<u>Defect or deficiency</u>
Pork Luncheon Meat	-	Labelling misleading
Lingonberry Juice	-	Excess preservative
Vitamin Tablets	-	Inadequate labelling
Slimming Tablets	-	Labelling unsatisfactory
Mineral Supplement Tablets	-	Labelling unsatisfactory
Custard Mix	-	Excess acid insoluble mineral matter
Instant Custard Mix	-	Butterfat deficiency
Pollen Tablets	-	Labelling unsatisfactory
Vitamin and Mineral Supplement	-	(a) Deficient in Iron and Vitamin C (b) Labelling misleading
Processed Cheese	-	Labelling inadequate
Herring Fillets	-	Labelling inadequate
Fruit Cocktail	-	Deficient in stated ingredients.

Routine inspections of various food premises in the district have been carried out during the year. Visits to these premises can be categorised as follows:-

Bakehouses	15	Ice-cream Retailers	127
Butchers shops	58	Food Manufacturing	
Catering Businesses	50	Premises	215
Fish Friers	33	Mobile Shops	13
Fishmongers	13	Food Sampling	57
Greengrocers	74	Sweet Shops	46
Grocers	148	Food Examination	57

The Following premises are registered by the Council, and have been kept under constant surveillance:-

	<u>Number of Premises.</u>	<u>Number of Inspections.</u>
Ice-cream Manufacturers	2	20
Ice-cream Retailers	67	127
Meat Preparers	21	273

During the course of routine inspections certain minor contraventions of the Food Hygiene Regulations were found, but all were satisfactorily dealt with by informal action.

The following table sets out the number of animals killed and inspected together with condemnations:-

	Cattle (excl. Cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	184	-	-	673	340
Number inspected	184	-	-	673	340
Found to be infected No.	-	-	-	-	1
with tuberculosis %	-	-	-	-	.29%
All diseases excluding No.	26	-	-	12	27
tuberculosis %	14.1%	-	-	1.78%	7.94%
Cysticercosis found	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis refirgerated	-	-	-	-	-

Foodstuffs other than carcase meat condemned.

	Tons	cwt.	qr.	lbs.	ozs.
289 Tins Meat		7	3	5	6
249 Tins Vegetables		2	1	16	2
199 Tins Fruit and Fruit Juice		3	2	27	-
48 Tins Fish				21	-
1 Tin Milk Pudding				5	12
14 Tins Meat Pies				13	8
14 Puddings				14	-
1 Box Dried Fruit			1	-	-
5 Jars Jam				4	12
153 Packets Frozen Fish			2	17	-
104 Packets Frozen Meat			1	13	7
207 Packets Frozen Meat Pies & Composite Foods			3	15	6
44 Packets Ice Cream & Frozen Confections				12	2
60 Packets Frozen Cakes and Pastries			1	5	-
236 Packets Frozen Vegetables		1	-	13	-
8 Packets Frozen Fruit				8	-
		18	-	23	7

The condemnations were made from food premises in the Rural District. Carcase meat condemnations were disposed of to a local cattle by-products firm. The other foods were buried at the Council's refuse tip.

Food Sampling.

Ice-cream was sampled as follows during the year:-

<u>Grade I</u>	<u>Grade II</u>	<u>Grade III</u>	<u>Grade IV</u>
14	Nil	1	Nil

Grades I and II can be taken to be satisfactory but judgements should be based on the series of samples. The position can therefore be considered satisfactory.

NUISANCES.

A total of 218 statutory nuisances were abated during the year, by informal action of the Public Health Inspectors. The following table gives the nuisances by type and shows the action taken in each case.

	After Informal Action.	After Statutory Action.
Refuse	43	-
Foul ditches etc.	51	-
Drainage	19	-
Animals and Poultry	23	-
Dangerous Premises	1	-
Noise	9	-
Smoke	17	-
Miscellaneous	55	-
TOTAL	218	-

PASSAGE PAVING.

Some 237 square yards of concrete were laid during the year to replace defective back and side passages of dwellinghouses in the Kings Road area of Immingham. Drains were laid to convey water from these surfaces to proper outfalls.

This work was carried out by contractors for the Council in default of notices served upon the owners of the passages.

PETROLEUM REGULATIONS ACT, 1928/36.

With the take-over by Grimsby of part of our area ten of our petroleum premises fell under their control. The total of all such premises remaining on our register at the years end was 83 including one for the storage of Carbide of Calcium.

